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18 December 1944

Germany

Air Mail 

Dear Dad, Mother & Boys,

At one o'clock in the morning but I can't go to bed for awhile as yet so I'll write you folks a letter.

Undoubtedly you are wondering how I am getting along and as usual I am fine. We are keeping busy as you have undoubtedly noticed by the newspapers. The weather hasn't been too bad recently, usually freezes quite hard every night. Of course that is a great help with this mud since that allows so much more freedom in movement.

Was quite surprised to hear that Alfred had to leave for

his physical - am wondering
if he is in the army already.
Each day I almost expect
to get a letter from him with
his new address. I was hoping
he wouldn't have to get mixed
up in this war. - I've seen
all I can to. Am wondering
if your snow has disappeared
again - the radio mentioned
Loma had quite a bit of
snow last week - Our
snow up here has all left.

Received another of your
swell Christmas present boxes
today and was very glad to get
it. Surely want to thank you
for all the articles such as
toothpaste, shaving cream, mirror,
cough drops, Candy, Chocolates, cookies
& Cigarettes. That Shaving cream

Air Mail

I was really tickled to get since I was nearly out and the thought of shaving with ordinary soap wasn't very appealing. The Stationary came in at the right time. So since I was getting a little low.

Yesterday I received a box from the wife and she sent a couple of cans of Campbell's soup so just a few minutes ago I had some steaming hot Chicken Noodle Soup - that's right mom I still eat at all kinds of crazy hours. She also sent me one of those Oh Johnny Pipes like she gave John you know the kind with a bent shaped like a toilet. Say I'm going to enclose

A postcard or two of scenes
taken during the Liberation
of Paris France - I had one
of my officers pick me up a
few when he was then on pass.

This country out here is
really all blasted to pieces. I
went for a ride this afternoon
and never saw a single house
that wasn't damaged by the
war, most of them are flat.

I must close now since I
still have to read my Bible
before going to bed. Hope this
finds you all in good health
Your loving
Son

P.S. Thanks again for the peaches
and Christmas Card. Here's
wishing you a joyous and
Happy New Year - Love